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MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1852.

The editor of the Journal sees a manifest change in the tone of the democratic papers generally, respecting Cuba, since the election of Gen. Pierce. We don't wonder at that.— He saw glee in the tone of the democratic press, and now his vision is more clear, the bogies have vanished. The democratic press has no design over to wrest the island of Cuba from Spain. They hold, however, that the people of Cuba had the right to throw off the yoke of Spain; and that those who proposed to help her, were neither pirates nor robbers.— The barbarous atrocities perpetrated by the Spanish authorities in Cuba, would not have been tolerated by any government, had the power to resent it. Our administration neither prevented the expeditions, nor regarded the consequences of its own negligence. It has been pregnant of sentiments and contemptible in action. It has shown a desperate resolution on one point, and that is, to submit to any terms Spain may dictate. It prefers rebuking George Washington, to a word of difference with the Spanish Minister; although Law has done nothing to the administration can condemn. The Cuban authorities now say that no vessel of ours can have port privileges if master Smith is on board; and the President acknowledges the full right of the Captain-General to exclude Smith, or any one else from trading to the port of Havana upon mere suspicion. It comes to this, that one of our vessels can trade to Havana, provided the Captain General speaks the word.

It is to be sure the right of a nation to exclude any from their territories when self-preservation requires it; but in the exercise of this right, they are responsible for its abuse.— When they carry it so far as to involve a principle that would nullify treaties, and sacrifice rights guaranteed, it cannot be submitted to. Such an act as the Captain General assumes to do, is one of great delicacy and requires a reason for it that will satisfy the party interested that self-preservation is indeed the motive, and not a mere pique of caprice, nor a mere purpose to bold and insult the party affected.

Now, whether the act not the number of it, commends it to the common sense of mankind; it wears all marks of insolence and caprice, and admits of no justification or apology. The whole amount of the case comes to this; two expeditions have gone from this country to aid in revolutionizing the Island of Cuba. They were gotten up by citizens of Spain, and composed in a great part, of foreigners. The military of the Island did great exploits in defeating and subduing those handfuls of men; and now, after the most barbarous atrocities unvenged, the authorities assume to suspect whomever they please, although engaged in lawful and regular trade, and to demand themselves toward us with an insolent swagger which it is disgrace to submit to. They are the injured party—most valiantly have they defended themselves; and now stand out of their way.

This insolence is not by this administration with no sort of spirit. If we deal with Spain as we find her, she must deal with us as she finds us. Her citizens escape from her soil, and plot her ruin here, let her see to it. Her minions have the same freedom here as enemies have; our government having nothing to do with either. Now, if Spain can't preserve herself in this state of the case without insult to us, she'd notify her that she can't be preserved at our expense. She must bear her own misfortunes, and indulge her pride and vindictiveness at her own expense. This act of Spain, as we have seen, is the offering of pride and insolence, and is not for self-preservation. To surrender the right to Spain to dictate in this way who shall travel on our vessels to Havana, is surrendering to her all right to trade at Havana at all, and virtually allowing her the right to search our vessels before admitting them to port privileges.

Spain can do as she pleases with the people of Cuba. She proscrides freedom of speech and of the press; she sets spies upon their actions, words, and even thoughts. Of course we are not likely to know how her subjects are affected toward her, and it is not the business of our government to find out. Her political exiles, however, will find sympathy and aid; and, if enough of it to overthrow her despotic authority, it is no business of our government. The freedom of our institutions furnish opportunities to the enemies of Spanish authority, but we can't change our creed to suit her. If we can get along with her despotism, she must put up with our freedom and all its consequences.

By the law of nations, acts of atrocious inhumanity are not allowable: uncalled for barbarity is sufficient ground of national offence. The United States have tamely submitted to one shocking exhibition of inhumanity, and we hope they will never submit to another. The right of self-preservation may be pleaded; but if authority is to be preserved by trampling the laws of humanity under foot, the common sense of mankind will decide that such authority costs more than it comes to.

Spain will lose Cuba, and will have none but herself to blame for it. No expedition from this country could make the slightest impression upon the Island, if the people of Cuba are not disaffected. If they marched all over the Island, what could they do but march back again if the people still adhered to Spain. They could not assert a despotic authority over the Island.

Let Spain, then, take care of her own people and satisfy them, and she may laugh at master Smith and the filibusters. If she can't, or won't do this, let her do as she can, but not at our expense.

PRESIDENTIAL PUN.—In his letter to Mr. Maxwell, on the Cuba business, President Fillmore indulges in the following little bit of pizzazz:

"Mr. Law has an undoubted right to pursue his full-fledged."

Very funny, very. Mr. Fillmore is a very funny President.

The Boston papers complain of the high price of provisions in that market—but there alone being 26 cents per pound.—New Bedford Mercury.

Not exactly "pork alone"—there is any quantity of salt with it, with occasionally a hair for so, just to give it a flavor.—Boston Times.

GOLD IN AUSTRALIA.—During a single week in July, as much as 125,000 ounces of gold dust was brought into Melbourne and Port Phillip, which at a valuation of \$20, or £4 sterling, gives a weekly product of two and a half millions of dollars. Of course, this rate did not hold out through the month, but the aggregate was not short of 400,000 ounces or \$8,000,000.

THE FRENCH EMPIRE.—It is stated in letters from Paris, that the Empire will, in all probability, be proclaimed on the 2d of December. The Princess and Princesses of the Imperial family are to be called Imperial Highnesses. The Princess of the house, not recognized as heir, will be styled Highness only. The long talked of reduction in the army is now said to be on the eve of execution.

THE Washington Blues, Capt. Keating, will parade to-day.

THE Paducah Democrat is offered for sale.

NOTICE.
The Semi-Annual Meeting of the MERCHANTS' LOUISVILLE INSURANCE COMPANY will be held at their office THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, Dec. 6th, at 3 o'clock.
WM. G. STEWART & CO.,
Secretary.

MARRIED.
On the 2d inst., by the Rev. G. Gates, Mr. WILLIAM GLENN to Miss ANN BREMBACK, both of this city.

FRENCH'S HOTEL,
Corner of Franklin and City Hall Squares,
(Opposite the City Hall and Park Row Building.)

NEW YORK CITY.

WAS built and opened by the subscriber, May 1, 1819, and fitted and furnished August, 1821. It is fitted for convenience, elegance, comfort, and convenience. It can accommodate 100 persons, and is equal to any hotel in the large, elegant, open carriage. He has rooms, and a large dining room, in one house, 25 feet wide, and thirty children. Each wife, with her progeny, lives in her separate furnished apartment, and spars, sews, weaves, &c. All this is true. I went over the premises with a view to enter into it, and, I believe saw pretty much everything.

The person I board with has two wives.

Dr. Richards, a counsellor, has six, and all of

his wives are equal to me in looks, health, and

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Albion attended the concerts of Wood's Negro Minstrels, in New York, on Saturday evening, and seemed to enjoy it as a treat.

Mr. Geo. Seaver, the engineer who was injured by the recent accident on the New Albany RailRoad, has since died.

Messrs. Jackson, Owlesley & Co., have slaughtered 23,460 hogs this season.

RIVER NEWS.

THE RIVER AND WEATHER.—The river was stationary on Saturday evening, with 4 feet 9 inches water on the falls over the rocks, and 7 feet 8 inches in the canal.

The weather continues cloudy.

THE LOUISVILLE AND WHEELING LINE.—The steamers Alvin Adams and Virginia, for the Louisville and Wheeling Line of Packets, are being completed at the Pittsburgh wharf. The Virginia is said to be the sharpest model ever seen. Her length on deck is 280 feet; floor 31 feet; hold 7 feet 4 inches. She has 120 feet of run forward, and the sams aft, leaving but 40 feet of straight box. Her main keelson is 20 inches deep; bilge keel 6x12 inches. She has three solid 3 inch bulkheads; her cylinder timbers are also solid. She will work a clear 40 feet diameter wheel, with 104 feet length of buckets; carry five boilers of 46 inches diameter and 38 or 32 feet length, with fire tubes; cylinders 293 inches diameter, 9 feet stroke. Height between decks, 14 feet. The Pittsburgh Dispatch says that she appears a first rate job, in every respect, doing high credit to the builders, Messrs. Hammatt & Co., of West Elizabeth. She will be most luxuriously finished and furnished, and with such model and power could move very fast, though her draught of water must be considerably greater than that of the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati liners.

The Alvin Adams, built by Beau Cousin, of McKeesport, is also fine, of beautiful model, and will have even greater power than the Virginia. Her size is nearly the same, but having the hollow water-line, her floor is greater. Her depth of hold is about seven feet.— Both have nurseries below the ladies' cabin, with all modern improvements and comfort. They look well, and will run "like all possessed."

THE NEW STEAMER ARCTIC.—The Pittsburgh Commercial Journal notices the completion, at that port, of a new steamer called the Arctic. Her hull measures on deck 182 feet; the beam 32 feet; hold 75 feet. There are three boilers, 26 feet long and 42 inches in diameter, and two cylinders of 224 inches in diameter, having 64 foot stroke. The wheels are 32 feet, with 7 foot feelers. Both the Arctic is intended for a Pittsburgh and New Orleans packet, and will be commanded by Capt. John S. Divinity.

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16. Thomas Holton, petty larceny, (stealing pens).
17. William Rowley, burglary, (theft in dockets).
18. William Richardson, pickpocket.
19. Norkins Mass, stealing candies.
20. Henry Bianchi, thieving pigs.
21. John Dunlop, stealing money.
22. Elijah Lowrie, horse stealing.
23. John Wells, stealing money.
24. Morris Bray, passing counterfeit money.
25. James Lovell alias Lewis, sodomy.
26. Thomas Lovell, passing counterfeit money.
27. Elizabeth Branson, passing counterfeit money.
28. George McGee, stealing a trunk.
29. William Miller, horse stealing.
30. Abraham Miller, larceny.
31. James Mean alias Loughlin assault and battery with intent to kill.
32. David Mitchell, kidnapping a free negro.
33. David Kirkpatrick, murder.
34. Conrad Schmid, stealing.
35. Louis Williams, f. m. c., murder.

Besides these, there are three persons now in jail charged with felony, who are awaiting a preliminary examination.

JEFFERSONVILLE RAILROAD—We learn from the Jeffersonville Times, that the Board of Directors of the Jeffersonville & Columbus Railroad at their last meeting decided to extend the road to Indianapolis and authorized the negotiation of a loan of \$500,000 with which to accomplish the work.

The fire which consumed Coleman's stables on Thursday night, burnt four horses and two cows, together with all the harness, &c. This is quite a serious loss to Mr. Coleman.

Kinsell's Nightingale Minstrels.

We perceive by our Savannah exchanges that this accomplished troupe are keeping a golden harvest in that city. On the evening of the 24th ult., hundreds were compelled to relinquish all attempts to gain admission to the theatre where they are playing. The press of Savannah with one accord, justly rank them as the best company ever in that city. With an agent like John T. Ford, and an upright manager like George Kunkle, this troupe is bound to succeed in whatever city they may visit. We are glad to learn that the Nightingales intend coming to Louisville early next spring.

Spanish Intelligence.

By the last advices from Spain it would appear that that old superannuated despotism is making great exertions to maintain its tyranny in Cuba.

The Spanish Government have recently had four war steamers constructed in Matanzas of 200 and 250 horse power, and their destination is to be the Havanas in Cuba. They are to increase their



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